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BOYD INTRODUCES BILL TO REQUIRE IRAQ TO PAY GREATER SHARE OF WAR COSTS

Boyd pushes for his loan policy to be included in the upcoming emergency supplemental bill

WASHINGTON, D.C.—Congressman Allen Boyd (D-North Florida), a member of the Defense Subcommittee on Military and Veterans Affairs, today introduced legislation to require Iraq to pay a greater share of the costs of the war in Iraq.

The Iraq Shared Investment Act also creates a shared pot of money for the Iraqi and U.S. governments to use for reconstruction and development projects in Iraq.

“This legislation is not about punishment; it’s about responsibility. It is time for the Iraqi government to take responsibility for the costs of the war in Iraq,” Boyd said.

To date, the U.S. has spent a total of \$526 billion for the war in Iraq. In the coming weeks, Congress will vote on the Iraq Shared Investment Act.

As Congress drafts the emergency supplemental bill, Congressman Boyd is using his position on the Defense Committee to push for the inclusion of his loan policy.

“Our country is making a major investment in Iraq, not only in U.S. casualties and injuries, but also in tax dollars,” Boyd said.

Boyd continued, “As a veteran of Vietnam, I believe that we must provide our troops on the front lines with the resources they need to win the war in Iraq.”

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